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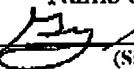
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED JULY 25, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated July 25, 2003, Applicant elects group I, claims 46-67, with traverse.

It is respectfully urged that a more thorough search and examination of the embodiments disclosed and claimed in the present application would result if all the claims are searched and examined together. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the restriction and consider all the pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,


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